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Weather  
Fair today and Wednesday; lower temperature by Wednesday; fog on coast. Max. temp. Monday 97, min. 55. River -3.4 ft. Northwest wind.

NINETEENTH YEAR

## Keynoter Denounces New Deal's "Failures"

### Air Raid Alarm Thrill Over England; French Cease Firing; Nazis Celebrate

#### In One Ear... —Paul Hauser's Column

For the last few days we have suspected something was wrong. There was an oppressive feeling in the air and we caught ourselves breathing out from time to time in a cold sweat (well, lukewarm, anyway.) We had a feeling things were getting hot. It wasn't until yesterday that we realized how hot they were. We had previously had some covert hints from our southern department, but it wasn't until yesterday when one of our pigeons came limping in realized how far things had gone. The pigeon, a home body, dropped his message off for us and popped into the old home roost to see how the wife and kiddies were getting along. We languidly read the message and then leaped to our feet and felt pretty foolish when we realized we were standing on top of our desk.

We have always been proud of Salem, proud of its 99 per cent American population and proud of its location. We have been particularly proud of its location, which, as you may know, is halfway between the equator and the North pole.

Well, the time has come for Salem to arise. Its location is in danger and we have it from one of our most trusted South American agents. In fact great damage has already been done as the last few days, particularly yesterday, will testify.

In a few hundred words, the situation is this. We have reliable information that fifth columnists and German agents in South America have already moved the equator far to the north. It was done by stealth and in the dead of night and is only a prelude to a far vaster move, our agent reports.

It is time for action, even if the Monroe doctrine doesn't say anything about anybody tampering with the equator. We have definite inside information that the eventual goal of the equator shift is to place in on a line running through the northern suburbs of San Diego, Calif. The motives behind this are obvious. The Nazis hope, by making America a tropical wilderness, to sap its strength, (you know what the tropics does to white men if you ever go to the movies) and make it easy for a conquest as well as to rob Salem of its rightful title as being halfway between the equator and the North Pole, an honor which has long been sought by Flensburg on the Baltic.

And that isn't all. We have definite information that if the dastardly scheme succeeds, the Japanese are going to recall their current and make the Northwest an arctic wilderness and, or, wonderland.

#### Edith Gwynn Dies In San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—(AP)—Mrs. Edith Gwynn, 23, Salem, a bride of ten months, died yesterday after touring the Golden Gate exposition with her husband, Delmar.

Death was traced to a seven-year old head injury, suffered when she was struck by a baseball. The body will be returned to Salem.

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#### Britain Waits Nazi Attacks, Grimly Ready

Migrant Polish Army Is  
now in England to  
Keep up Fight

#### French Organizing Goes on in London Under DeGaulle's Lead

LONDON, June 24.—(AP)—Supported by a wandering Polish army and die-hard French leaders in exile who claimed to speak for the French fleet and empire, Britain prepared grimly tonight for Adolf Hitler's next onslaught.

Arrival of the Polish forces from France was disclosed by General Wladyslaw Sikorski, the Polish prime minister.

In a broadcast he declared "the great body of our armies, safely back from France, is landing on the shores of Great Britain and will 'continue to fight, shoulder to shoulder, with the powerful British empire for a free and independent Poland."

#### Hitler Delegates Armistice Comish

BERLIN, June 25.—(AP)—Adolf Hitler appointed Infantry General Heinrich von Stuelpnagel today as chairman of the armistice commission with headquarters at Wiesbaden.

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#### Rumanian Troops Clash With Russians; Planes Spying Over Bessarabia

BUDAPEST Reports Tell of Clashes Along Border  
on Dniester River; Bessarabia Long  
Sought by Soviet Russia

#### US Fleet Steams Away From Hawaii

HONOLULU, June 24.—(AP)—Powerful units of the United States fleet, operating in Hawaiian waters since the conclusion of the 1940 war games two months ago, steamed out to the high seas today for an unannounced destination.

#### Mercury Reaches 97, Misses Mark

A hot 97 degrees was Salem's temperature yesterday afternoon. Old Sol beat down from an almost cloudless sky, cooperating with a slight north wind to push the mercury within one degree of 1940's highest mark, 98 degrees on June 11. The minimum was 55.

#### Forest Fires Break out as Humidity Tumbles; Valsez Has Fire

Continued fair weather is predicted with lower temperatures by Wednesday. The coast's fare will be fog, and the mountains' scattered thunderstorms.

#### Japanese Vessels Sent to Haiphong

TOKYO, June 25.—(Tuesday)—Japanese warships were dispatched to Haiphong, French Indo-China port, today to "observe the movements" of vessels suspected of carrying munitions and supplies to China, the admiralty announced.

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Frenchmen Outside Land  
Rally to Banner of  
Gen. DeGaulle

#### Hitler Proclaims Victory Celebration; French in Mourning

(By The Associated Press)  
An air raid alarm shrilled in London today and German bombs blasted southeast and southwest England as the Nazis celebrated the conquest of France with sudden new blows at their remaining foe—Great Britain.

#### Some Poilus Race For Coastal Area

CHANCY, SWISS-FRENCH FRONTIER, June 25.—(Tuesday)—Through a 50-mile-wide corridor Down Savoy, scattered French troops were reported racing for their first chance to drop back from fighting lines and try the dash to the sea.

#### Dewey Gains Vote At McNary's Cost

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—Presidential Candidate Thomas Dewey, already holding the lion's share of delegate support from the Pacific northwest states, gained another Washington vote today at the expense of Oregon's Senator Charles McNary.

#### Guard's Anti-Aircraft Units Ready to Defend Clatsop Air

FORT STEVENS, Ore., June 24.—(AP)—It's going to be risky business for foreign airplanes which might try to fly over this army post at the mouth of the Columbia river, because the Oregon National Guard's 249th coast artillery showed how effective nine new three-inch anti-aircraft guns can be.

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GOVERNOR HAROLD E. STASSEN  
Republican Keynote

#### Stassen Highlights

PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—Key sentences from the keynote speech made tonight by Governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota to the republican national convention:

It is a fact today, well known by the heads of every government in the world, and belatedly coming to the knowledge of the people of this nation, that we are tragically unprepared.

We are too woefully weak to give the allies that massive assistance this nation wants to give them.

We cannot permit an armed force, aggressive in nature, with a philosophy foreign to ours to establish itself upon this hemisphere.

The saddest chapter of the last four years has been that the national administration instead of keeping its eyes, statesmanlike, upon the welfare of the people of this nation, has turned its political gaze upon a third term.

The role of government must be that of an aid to private enterprise and not of a substitute for it. More and better jobs, better housing and improved living conditions, can best be secured through recognition of this principle.

Let us announce here and now that we have faith in the future of this nation and its way of life.

The challenge of the hour clearly calls for our republican party to rise above narrow partisanship. Ours is the high duty to place the future of this nation above all other considerations including our own desire to win.

We need in public office servants of the people selected for their merit instead of corporate or political party patronage.

It is the responsibility of government in its foreign policy to endeavor in every honorable way to create and nurture a world environment in which its people can proceed along life's path in peace, expanding their material well-being and developing their way of life.

Whiskerinos Ask  
Parading Permit

The Salem Whiskerino club yesterday applied for a permit to hold a parade on downtown streets at 8 p.m. next Friday. This will be the second parade put on by the club to attract attention to the city's mid-summer Centennial celebration.

The line of march will start from Marion and Commercial streets and run south on Commercial to Court, east on Court to Church, south on Church to State, west on State to Commercial, south on Commercial to Ferry, east on Ferry to Liberty, south on Liberty to Trade, where the parade will disband.

War Goods Sale  
Opposed by VFW

Marion post 661, Veterans of Foreign Wars, voted a protest here last night against proposals to send large quantities of United States army, navy and air corps equipment to England.

The post resolution requested congress "to make full investigation of the reported acts and attitude of persons, if found guilty of the treasonable acts charged, be punished to the full extent of the law."

"By virtue of our sacrifice... of the best years of our lives to the service of our country," the resolution said, "we feel that we made will disband."

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The 249th now contains two battalions, one of which mans the six-inch and 10-inch seacoast guns at the mouth of the river. The other battalion fires anti-aircraft machine guns, as well as the three-inch weapons.

It is a highly complicated job to fire the three-inch guns, and it takes a person trained in higher mathematics to understand it.

About 65 men are needed to fire two guns. They fired at a 25-foot balloon-silk target towed 3000 feet behind a Washington National Guard observation plane. The target was towed at 120 miles an hour, was two to three

#### Stassen Calls Upon GOP to Step Forward

Declares Government Is  
Aid to Enterprise,  
not Substitute

Urges GOP to Advance  
on Four Fronts  
Determinedly

By RICHARD L. TURNER  
CONVENTION HALL, PHILADELPHIA, June 24.—(AP)—Young Gov. Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota sounded the 1940 republican keynote to a clamorously applauding national convention tonight with an assertion that "the role of government must be that of an aid to private enterprise, and not a substitute for it."

Denouncing what he termed new deal "failures" as the cause of American problems, both domestic and foreign, he called upon the party to "advance with a decisive and determined step upon four major fronts:

"The front of national preparedness.  
"The front of fifth column defense.  
"The front of domestic economic welfare.  
"The front of governmental effectiveness."

Applause greeted each of these exhortations.

"The saddest chapter of the last four years," Stassen shouted, was that the Roosevelt administration "has turned its political gaze upon a third term" instead of upon the national welfare.

He spoke to an audience which had trooped into Convention hall heavily pondering and excitedly debating the developments of a day which brought New Gains Reported in Wilkie Drive.

Widespread reports of a new gains for the drive of Wendell Wilkie.

An assertion by a spokesman for Senator Robert A. Taft that instead, the Wilkie boom had actually "struck a snag" and had been slowing down since midday yesterday.

At a press conference statement by Thomas E. Dewey that he had yet to find evidence that the Wilkie boom had been translated into delegates on any large scale, and that a thorough check had shown more than 400 Dewey votes for the first ballot.

The emergence of a "stop Wilkie" movement, launched a n d pushed by a group of members of the national house of representatives.

But when it came to the assertions of Governor Stassen there was little disagreement, unless it was upon what he had to say of American life in a world at war, a subject of dispute among the party's platform drafters.

"As we advance upon these (other) fronts," Stassen said, "my overshadowing foreign problems of foreign policy will require decision. Let us frankly state to the people that we can neither fully anticipate these problems nor can we tie our hands before meeting them."

"As they are reached, they must be faced and the people of this nation must be made aware of what they mean so that informed public opinion may find expression in the policies of the government."

First Responsibility Future Welfare  
"It is clear that the first responsibility must be the future welfare of the people of this nation, and their way of life, but it is clear that that future welfare cannot best be served by simply burying our heads in the sand."

Taft spokesman who expressed disbelief of the Wilkie gains was his campaign manager, David Ingalls, who said a careful check of the Taft supporters revealed the loss of only a single delegate to Taft supporters of the New York utility man.

The keynote speech was the first oratorical spurge of the convention, the morning having been given over to the job of starting the unwieldy machinery into motion.

By the time the convening hour of the night session arrived, the huge auditorium, its blue and white state standards topped with paper elephants holding tiny flags aloft in their trunks, and double-tiered horse-shoe balconies, was filling rapidly.

Cries of "We want Wilkie" broke out occasionally from the galleries, and drew a scattering of applause from the floor and other gallery sections.

Stassen was introduced by Chairman John Hamilton as the "youngest man" who ever began a republican convention, a roar of applause greeted him as he placed his hand upon the speakers stand and began his address, his face serious and voice sober.

The first applause of his speech greeted his statement that: "It is our grave responsibility to keep burning brightly the light of liberty, and almost immediately afterward, the second outburst came when he said:

"If we meet that responsibility well, the people of this great nation (Turn to page 3, col. 3)